



# CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF HUMAN RIGHTS UNIVERSITY OF PERADENIYA



PROGRESS REPORT FROM 2003 to 2007

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## OUR VISION

Create a society that is articulate, critical and active concerning matters of fundamental human rights and freedoms.

## OUR GOAL

Promotion of knowledge of human rights is the main goal of the Centre for the Study of Human Rights. It intends achieving this goal through multi-disciplinary educational and research activities involving university community and the public.

The Centre for the Study of Human Rights, University of Peradeniya (CSHR-UP) was established in February 2003 in the Faculty of Arts as a university centre with a broad mandate of dissemination, teaching and promotion of human rights through outreach activities and teaching programmes targeting the university and non-university communities in the Central Province and its adjacent areas.



# The Beginning.....2003

The University Senate approved the project proposal submitted by the Department of Political Science and appointed a Governing Board consisting of members representing all the faculties in the University for a period of three years in February 2002.

The official launching was taken place in February 2003 with the appointment of a Director, Two Academic Coordinators and an Administrative Officer. A Guest Lecture was delivered by Dr. Godfrey Gunathilake, then Chairman of the Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka at the Senate Room to mark the occasion.

The initial funding for the establishment of the Centre and also for the activities organized in 2003 was provided by the Governance and Institutional Strengthening Project (GISP) of the Ottawa University, Canada through Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), which has completed almost five years of funding the CSHR activities by 2007, under a new agreement to consolidate the Governance and Institutional Strengthening Project activities commenced in 2003. The Centre undertook a special Training of Trainers programme for the academics who volunteered to become Resource Persons of the Centre and the syllabi, teaching modules and the regulations governing the two academic programmes were finalized in 2003. The Centre launched its web page in the first year and reached the communities outside the university by organizing 30 Human Rights Cells in the schools in the Central Province and conducting awareness programmes with public servants, police and prison officers and school teachers.

## The First Governing Board

Professor W.M. Sirisena, Chairperson ex-officio,  
(Dean Faculty of Arts)  
Professor Y.R. Amarasinghe, Head/ Political Science  
ex-officio  
Professor Arjuna Aluwihare, Faculty of Medicine  
Professor K.S. Walgama, Faculty of Engineering  
Professor Indira Silva, Faculty of Veterinary Science  
Professor S. Sivayoganathan, Faculty of Agriculture  
Professor Bandula Karunathilake, Faculty of Arts  
Dr. Shelton Perera, Faculty of Science  
Dr. W.M. Thilakaratne, Faculty of Dental Sciences  
Dr. Sumathy Sivamohan, Faculty of Arts  
Dr. A.M. Navaratna-Bandara, Secretary ex-officio -  
(Director/CSHR)

## THE FIRST EXECUTIVE TEAM DIRECTOR

Professor A.M. Navaratna-Bandara

## ACADEMIC COORDINATORS

Professor Kamala Liyanage  
Dr. Induwara Gunaratna

## OFFICE TEAM

Ms Asanthi Ekanayake (Administrative Officer)  
Mr. Asanga M. Somaratna (Graduate Intern)  
Mr P. Shankar (Graduate Intern)  
Ms Jamuna Geyam (Graduate Intern)



Mr. Karunaratne Divulgane, Hon'ble Governor of the North-Central Provincial Council with Mr Charles Dayananda, (Senior Lecturer, Teacher Training for Aesthetic Education, Griagama and the Artiste of the Cartoon Exhibition of the CSHR-UP) at the Exhibition and HR Awareness programme held at the Youth Centre, Anurdhapura. (22-23 January 2007)



# The Present...2007

## THE GOVERNING BOARD

Professor K.T. Silva - Ex-Officio Chairperson (Dean, Faculty of Arts)  
Professor C. Sivayoganathan, Faculty of Agriculture  
Dr. Shelton Perera, Faculty of Science  
Professor Indira Silva, Faculty of Veterinary Science  
Professor Malkanthi Chndrasekera, Faculty of Medicine  
Professor Kamala Liyanage, Head/ Department of Political Science  
Professor V. Nandakumar, Faculty of Arts  
Dr. Upul B. Dissanayake, Faculty of Dental Sciences  
Dr. Vijitha Nanayakkara, Faculty of Arts  
Dr. M. Sandirigama, Faculty of Engineering  
Professor A.M. Navaratna-Bandara, Ex-Officio Secretary (Director CSHR-UP)

## THE EXECUTIVE TEAM

### Director

Professor A.M. Navaratna-Bandara

### Academic Coordinators

Mr N.P.M. Saifdeen

Ms Shobanadevi Rajendran

## THE OFFICE TEAM

### Administrative Officer

Mr. M. S. S. Chandrananda

### Graduate Interns

Ms J. M. Chandima Thilakaratne

Ms Nadeeka Amarasiri

Ms S. Sumithra

Mr. Ravi Wijesooriya

## OUR RESOURCE PERSONS AND THE TEACHING STAFF

Professor Y. R. Amarasinghe (Political Science)  
Professor M.O.A. de Zoysa (Political Science)  
Professor Kamala Liyanage (Political Science)  
Professor A. Sivarajah (Political Science)  
Professor A.M. Navaratna-Bandara (Political Science)  
Professor Gamini Samaranayake  
Mr. K. Gnaneswaran (Economics)  
Mr. V. Tharmathasan (Economics)  
Ms. A. Kannadurai (Tamil)  
Mr. Tissa Athukorala (Sociology)  
Mr. W.G. Ariyadasa (Economics)  
Ms. Aruni Kumari (Political Science)  
Mr. Sampath Rajapaksa (Political Science)

Mr. Athula Withanawasam (Political Science)  
Mr. R.A.W. Ranasinghe (Political Science)  
Mr. S. Vijesandiran (Economics)  
Mr. S.M.U.T.S. Subasinghe (Management)  
Mr. M.G.K. Razak (Sociology)  
Ms S. Rajendran (Economics)  
Mr. N.P.M. Saifdeen (Political Science)  
Dr. Induwara Gunaratna (Forensic Medicine)  
Mr. Ranjith Dickwella (Political Science)  
Mr. J. Saman Kumara (Political Science)  
Mr. V. Sivayogalingam (Political Science)  
Mr. G.C.L.Pathirana (Political Science)



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2003

## Resource Persons Training

### TRAINING ABROAD FOR ACADEMICS

The CSHR sponsored Miss W.M.S.M. Kumari from the Department of Sociology for the Human Rights Educators Training Programme conducted by People's Movement for Human Rights Education (PDHRE) and the South Asia Learning Institution for Human Rights Education (SALIHRE) at the YUVA Centre (Youth for Unity & Voluntary Action), in Mumbai, India from 01<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2003.

### TRAINING OF TRAINERS WORKSHOPS

#### Workshop No.1

The first Training of Trainers workshop was conducted for 40 Resource Persons on 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> of June and 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 2003 at the Senate Room, University of Peradeniya. Professor Y.R. Amarasinghe, Professor of Political Science, University of Peradeniya, Ms S. Ekanayake, ICRC, Colombo, Professor Ravindra Fernando, Director, Centre for the Study of Human Rights, University of Colombo, Dr. Mario Gomez, Dr. Shyamala Gomez and, Mr N. Selvakkumaran, Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Colombo served as Resource Persons of the training workshop. The subject areas covered by the workshop included: "Introduction to human rights", "Humanitarian law", "United Nations and upholding of human rights", "Economic and Social Rights", "Women's rights", "Labour rights", "Fundamental rights in Sri Lanka", "the Legal process in Sri Lanka" and "Equality and Human Rights.

#### Workshop No.2

The second workshop was held at the Hotel Topaz, Kandy from 25-26 October 2003 focusing on the non-legalistic teaching methodologies for *formal sector* human rights education. Dr. Felicia Yeban, Head of the *Center for Human Rights, Gender Studies and Peace Education*, Normal University, Philippines facilitated the workshop as the Resource Person.

#### Workshop No.3

The third workshop was held at the Hotel Topaz, Kandy from 27-28 October 2003 focusing on the non-legalistic teaching methodologies for *informal sector* human rights education. Dr. Felicia Yeban, Head of the *Center for Human Rights, Gender Studies and Peace Education*, Normal University, Philippines facilitated the workshop as the Resource Person.

### INSTITUTIONAL VISIONING WORKSHOP

CSHR conducted a planning workshop for the Members of the Governing Board, the Director, two Academic Coordinators and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor on 30 October at the Senate Room, University of Peradeniya. Dr. Felicia Yeban, Head of the *Center for Human Rights, Gender Studies and Peace Education*, Normal University, Philippines facilitated the workshop.

### Research

In 2003 the CHSR sponsored following Research by the Academics of University of Peradeniya:

1. "Effectiveness of parental involvement in protecting rights of young children: Identifying perceptions, attitudes and resources" by Miss B.D.D. Pathirana, Department of Philosophy and Psychology, Faculty of Arts.
2. "Human Rights Conditions of plantation workers in Sri Lanka" by Professor A. Sivarajah, Department of Political Science, Faculty of Arts.
3. "Survey to assess the knowledge of human rights among the students in the Medical Faculty of the University of Peradeniya" by Professor Indira Silva, Faculty of Veterinary Science and Dr. Induwara Gunaratna, Department of Forensic Medicine, Faculty of Medicine.

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## Work Place Programme

- \* 12 May - Kandy Municipal Council Staff, Municipal Council Hall, Kandy (35)
- \* 20 May - Probationary and Child Protection Service Officers, Central Province, YMCA Hall, Kandy (40)
- \* 03 July - Staff at the Office of the Regional Director of Health Services, Panwila (24)
- \* 11 July - Grama Niladari Officers, Harispattuwa Division, Divisional Secretariat Office, Katugastota (40)
- \* 08 August - Government Medical Officers, Central Province, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (100)

## Public Awareness Programme

- \* 28 March - Public Seminar - Human Rights and the World at War, YMBA Hall, Kandy
- \* 07 July - Public Seminar - Human Rights and the World at War, Municipal Council Hall, Hatton in Collaboration with YMCA, Kandy
- \* 10 to 26 August - Cartoon Exhibition., "Towards an Ethical Medical Practice, Patient Rights and Rights of Medical Profession", At a stall provided by the Organizing Committee of the Medical Exhibition, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo
- \* 01 October - Public Seminar - World Children's Day, "Child Rights and Child Abuse in Sri Lanka", DS Senanayake Auditorium, Kandy, in Collaboration with the HR Commission of Sri Lanka, Kandy Office
- \* 10 December - World Human Rights Day Seminar, "Political Violence, Torture and Human Rights and Women's Rights", DS Senanayake Auditorium, Kandy, in Collaboration with HR Commission of Sri Lanka, Kandy Office





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## Village and Estate Community Programme

- \* 31 March - FRIDSRO Institute, Morakanda, Village Community Centre, Bokkawala, in Collaboration with FRIDSRO Institute, Bokkawala.
- \* 05 July - Village Community Centres at Polwatte, Wegiriya, and Harispatuwa, in Collaboration with the Centre for Economic & Social Research, Kandy
- \* 10 September - Plantation Sector (Sinhala Medium) and School Teachers, Satyodaya Centre for Social Encounter, Kandy, in Collaboration with Satyodaya, Kandy
- \* 21 September - Plantation Sector (Tamil Medium) School Teachers. Satyodaya Centre for Social Encounter, Kandy, in Collaboration with Satyodaya, Kandy
- \* 06 October - Plantation Sector Social Mobilizers, Co-op Seminar Hall, Nuwara Eliya, in Collaboration with Palm Foundation, Nuwara Eliya

## SPECIAL LECTURES FOR THE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS ACTIVITIES

- \* 04 April - New Entrants to the Faculty of Veterinary Science
- \* 04 Weeks in July - Final Year Students of the Agricultural Extension Service
- \* 06 July - New Entrants to the Faculty of Arts

## University programme - GUEST LECTURES

- \* 06 March - "Role and Responsibilities of the Human Rights Commission", Dr. Godfrey Gunathilake, Chairman, Human Rights Commission of Sri Lanka, University Senate Room
- \* 13 August - "Human Rights and International Law in the context of the invasion and occupation of Iraq", Judge C.G. Weeramanthri, Former Vice President, International Court of Justice, University Senate Room
- \* 30 October - "Rights Based Approach to Education; Education for the 21st Century", Dr Felice Yeban, Normal University, Philippines, University Senate Room
- \* 24 November - Technology for the service of human rights, Jim Fruchterman, Director, Benetech Initiative, California, USA, University Senate Room



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## School Programme

- \* **23 June** - Sarasavi Uyana MV, Peradeniya, Swarnamali Girls MV, Kandy, Mahanama MV, Gatambe, Seetha Devi Girls MV, Kandy (35) - Awareness workshop at the Women's Development Centre, Mulgampola, Kandy
- \* **04 July** - St. Josephs' Girls MV, Girihagama MV, St. Andrews' Girls' MV, Nawalapitiya, Nugawela Central College, Nugawela - Awareness Workshop at the Women's Development Centre, Mulgampola, Kandy
- \* **08 July** - Vihara Maha Devi Girls MV, Kandy, Gothami Girls MV, Kandy, Sri Dheerananda M.V. Pilimathalawa, Sri Swarnajothi MV - Awareness Workshop at the Women's Development Centre, Mulgampola, Kandy
- \* **10 July** - St. Josephs Girls' College, Gampola, Girihagama MV, St. Andrews Girls' College, Nawalapitiya, Nugawela Central College, Nugawela - Awareness Workshop at the Women's Development Centre, Mulgampola, Kandy
- \* **11 July** - Alawathugoda Central College, Alawathugoda MV, Wattegama Central College, Wattegama Girls' College - Awareness Workshop at the Women's Development Centre, Mulgampola, Kandy
- \* **23 September** - Methodist Tamil M.V. Kandapola, Holy Trinity College, Nuwara Eliya, Nanu Oya Tamil M.V. Nanu Oya, Ragala Tamil M.V., Ragala - Awareness Workshop conducted at the Co-op Hall Nuwra Eliya
- \* **25 September** - Sri Naga National School, Naula, Seegiriya M.V. Seegiriya, Rangiri Dambulla National School, Dambulla, Awareness Workshop conducted at the Government Rest House, Dambulla





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## Academic Programmes

### Certificate in Human Rights

CSHR conducted its first ever Certificate Course in February-March 2004 with a total of 104 candidates (Sinhala and Tamil Media). The examination was held in April 2004.

### Diploma in Human Rights

CSHR commenced its first ever Diploma in Human Rights Programme in August 2004 with the participation of 94 candidates (Sinhala and Tamil Media). The Centre offered 20 merit-based scholarships to university students who successfully completed the Certificate in Human Rights programme concluded in April 2004.

## PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

### Public Awareness Programme

- 10 December - Human Rights Day Commemoration - D.S. Senanayake Memorial Auditorium, Kandy (200 participants – Police Officers, Prison Officers, Government Servants, NGO Officers, Teachers and Pupils)  
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Training of Trainers Workshop For University Academics, June - July 2003





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## Workplace Programme

### THE GRADUATE OFFICERS RECRUITED TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE

<b>02 December</b>	Pradeshiya Sabha Hall, Pathadumbara (100 participants)
<b>03 December</b>	National Cooperative Development Institute, Polgolla (150 participants)
<b>09 December</b>	Multi Cooperative Auditorium, Galagedera (65 participants)
<b>10 December</b>	English Training Centre, Peradeniya (256 participants)
<b>14 December</b>	(i) Divisional Secretariat Office Hall, Yatawatta (45 participants) (ii) Gamini Central College, Nuwara Eliya (26 participants)
<b>16 December</b>	Giragama Training College, Pilimathalawa (95 participants)
<b>17 December</b>	(I) Rural Development Centre, Pilimathalawa (90 participants) (ii) Technical College, Nuwara Eliya (45 participants)
<b>20 December</b>	Library Auditorium, Doluwa (48 participants)
<b>23 December</b>	Post Office Auditorium, Kandy (92 participants)
<b>24 December</b>	Divisional Secretarial Hall, Hanguranketha (58 participants)
<b>27 December</b>	Central College, Ginigathhena (17 participants)





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## PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

### Academic Programmes

#### Diploma in Human Rights

In October 2005 CSHR concluded the Diploma in Human Rights Programme commenced in August 2004.

#### Certificate in Human Rights

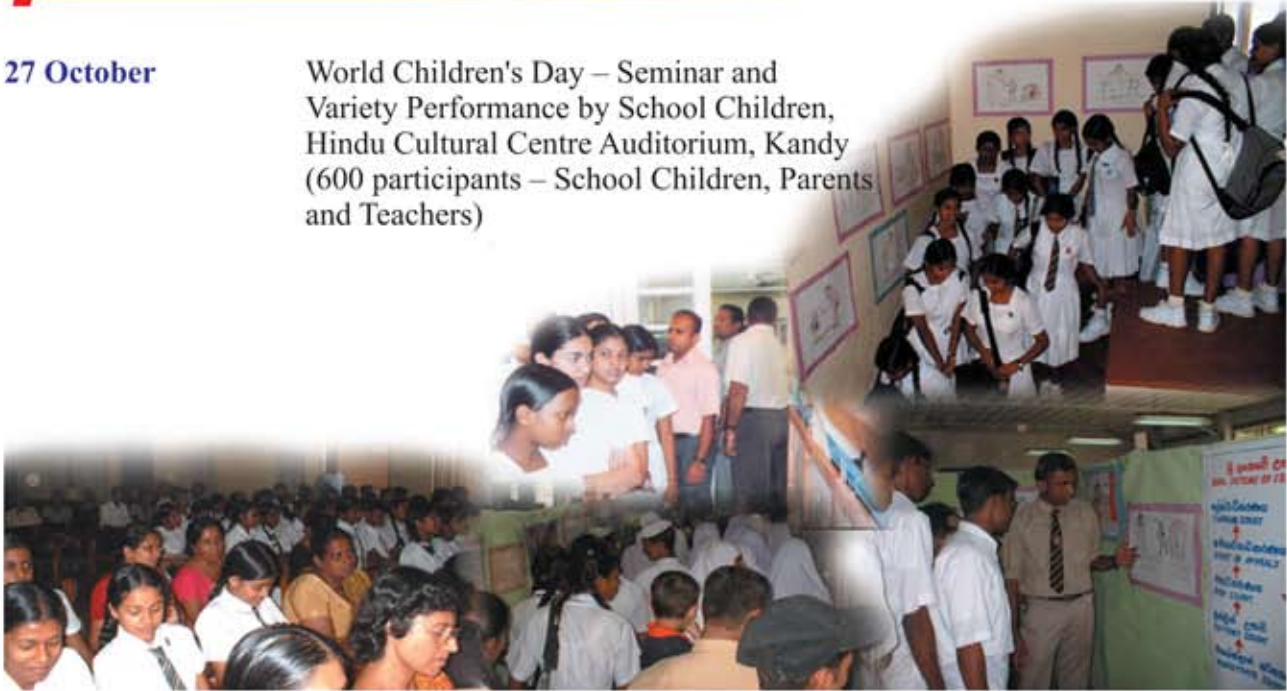
CSHR conducted the second programme of the Certificate in Human Rights from August to September 2005. The examination was held in October 2005 with 164 candidates.

## PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

### Public Awareness Programme

27 October

World Children's Day – Seminar and Variety Performance by School Children, Hindu Cultural Centre Auditorium, Kandy (600 participants – School Children, Parents and Teachers)





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## School Programme

- 24 February** Awareness Programme, Education Department Seminar Room, University of Peradeniya (Students from 19 schools in Kandy, Matale and Nuwara Eliya Districts participated)
- 04 March** Awareness Programme, Political Science Library Room, University of Peradeniya (Students from 5 schools participated)
- 11 April** Awareness Programme, Senaratgama MV, Katugastota, (40 students and teachers)
- 18 August** Awareness Programme, SIDA Centre, Hatton (70 students and teachers)
- 15 September** Awareness Programme, Delta MV., Pussellawa. Oorganized and invited by OIC/ Police Station, Pussellawa (200 participants)
- 16 September** Seethadevi MV., Kandy (60 students and teachers )
- 05 October** Laxapana M.M.V, Hatton (50 students and teachers)
- 20 October** Highlands M.M.V, St. Bosco M.M.V and St. Gebriyal M.M.V, Hatton (500 Students)
- 21 October** Y.M.B.A Hall, Kandy, for school cells (200 Students)
- 25 October** Ginigahthena M.M.V, Sripada M.V, Norwood T.M.V and St. Joseph T.M.V Maskeliya (300 Students)

## Workplace Programme

- 12 January** Police Training School, Kundasale (38 Police Officers)
- 13 March** Municipal Council Hall, Nuwara Eliya (40 Plantation Staff Officers)
- 22 March** AGA Office Ududumbara (60 Gramaniladharis)
- 26 March** Urapola Pirivena, Pilimathalawa (30 Members of the Mediation Boards)
- 31 March** Education Department's SIDA Centre, Hatton, (40 Teacher Trainees)
- 06 April** SIDA, Hatton (35 Teacher Trainees)
- 10 April** Central College, Pussellawa (45 School Teachers)
- 27 April** Abayaraja Pirivena, Menikhinna (35 Montessori Teachers)



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- 24 June** Army Camp, Gannoruwa, (102 Army Officers)
- 29 June** Women's Information Support and Educaion (WISE) Centre, Heeressagala (30 Women Police Officers)
- 24 July** Army Camp, Pallekele (103 Army Officers)
- 20 August** Participatory Action & Learning Methodology (PALM) Centre, Agarapathana, Hatton - for Trade Union Leaders (39 participants)
- 28 August** YMCA, Kandy, for Prison Officers (34 Participants)
- 01 September** Kandiyana Arts Residency, Kandy – for Divisional Secretaries from the Kandy District, Organized by District Secretary, Kandy (27 participants)
- 28 September** Y.M.B.A. Hall, Katugastota for Samurdhi Niladharis (40 participants)
- 29 September** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (40 participants)
- 29 September** Y.M.B.A Katugastota for Samurhhi Niladharis (40 participants)
- 13 October** Yatinuwara D. S. Office for Grama Niladharis (70 participants)
- 14 October** Yatinuwara D.S. Office – for Grama Niladharis (70 participants)
- 21 October** Harispattuwa D.S. Office - for Grama Niladharis (70 participants)
- 25 October** Thalathuoya D.S. Office for Grama Niladharis (40 participants)





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## Training Academics Abroad

CSHR-UP sponsored Dr. Induwara Gunaratna for International Human Rights Training Programme, Montreal, Canada from 3<sup>rd</sup> June to 9<sup>th</sup> July 2007.

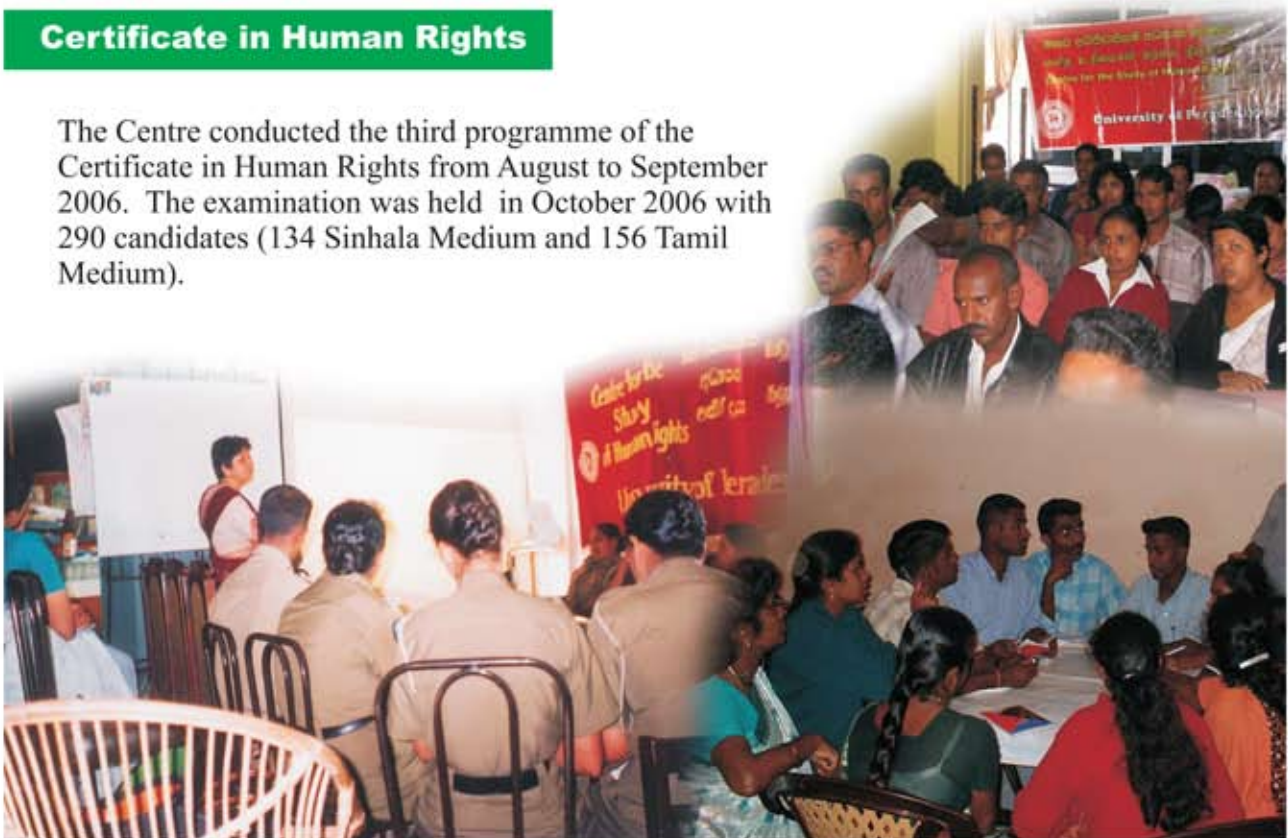
## TEACHING HUMAN RIGHTS

### Diploma in Human Rights

In October the Centre concluded the second Diploma in Human Rights Programme commenced in February 2006 and conducted the examination in December 2006 (154 Candidates sat the examination).

### Certificate in Human Rights

The Centre conducted the third programme of the Certificate in Human Rights from August to September 2006. The examination was held in October 2006 with 290 candidates (134 Sinhala Medium and 156 Tamil Medium).





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## Guest Lectures

24 September

Guest Lecture on “Fundamental Rights Situation in Sri Lanka”  
by Mr. N Selawakkumaran, Dean, Faculty of Law, at the University of  
Peradeniya (190 Diploma and Certificate Course participants)

09 February

Guest Lecture on Child Rights, by Dr. Hiranthi Wejamanna, Chairman, Child  
Protection Authority, at the University of Peradeniya (75 participants)

## Workplace Programme

09 February

A.G.A. Office Udunuwara- for Field Officers  
& Women Activists ( 28 participants)

08 February

Lecture on Humanitarian Law, Army Camp, Gannoruwa,  
(150 Army Officers and Soldiers)

16 March

Workshop on Human Rights for School Principals from Nuwara Eliya  
District, SIDA Centre, Hatton, (81 Participants)

02 March

Workshop on Human Rights & Women's Rights, Police Training  
School , Kundasale (156 participants)

28 December

Workshop for Women Police Officers, Police Training School,  
Kundasale, (156 participants)

## Public Awareness Programme

12 December

Public Seminar on World Human Rights Day, D.S. Senanayake Memorial  
Library Auditorium, Kandy for General Public and invited participants from  
schools, police stations, NGOs and Government Departments

8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> March

Workshop to commemorate the Women's Day, for Women Activists in the  
Kandy District. Topic: Human Rights & Women's Rights (51 participants)





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## University programme

### Workshops for *University Students*

- 28 January** Workshop on Human Rights for Students of the Economic Society, Education Department Auditorium, University of Peradeniya (27 participants)
- 29 January** Workshop on Human Rights for Students of the Economic Society, Education Department Auditorium, University of Peradeniya (36 participants)
- 22 February** Workshop on Human Rights for Buddhist Monks, Sangaramaya, University of Peradeniya (70 participants)
- 03 May** Workshop on Human Rights for Medical Students, Faculty of Medicine, University of Peradeniya (17 participants)
- 19 September** University Undergraduates from the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Arts Seminar Room, University of Peradeniya (45 participants)
- 04 November** University Undergraduates from the Faculty of Arts, Kannangara Building, University of Peradeniya (35 participants)

### Workshops for *University Non-Academic Staff*

- 29 September** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (40 participants)
- 01 January** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (36 participants)
- 19 January** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Education Department Auditorium, University of Peradeniya (49 participants)
- 02 February** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (42 participants)
- 06 March** Workshop on “Human Rights and Trade Union Actions”, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (36 participants)

### Workshops for *University Administrative Staff*

- 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March** Residential workshop for University Executive Officers – “Incorporating Rights Perspective to the Work Place”  
Hotel Hill-Top, Kandy (40 participants, Senior Administrative Officers and Doctors of the University Health Centre attended the workshop)



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## Certificate Course in Human Rights – No. 1 of 2007

The first programme of the Certificate Course – 2007 commenced on 20 January 2007 with 277 candidates (Sinhala Medium 177/Tamil Medium 100). The examination was held on 31 March 2007.

## Certificate Course in Human Rights – No.2 of 2007

The second programme of the Certificate Course commenced on 3 June 2007 with 262 candidates (Sinhala Medium 111/ Tamil Medium 151). The examination was held on 05 August 2007.

## Diploma in Human Rights - 2007

The third Diploma in Human Rights programme commenced on 17.02.2007 with 200 candidates (Sinhala Medium: 73/ Tamil Medium 127). Lecture programme will continue until December 2007. Examination is scheduled for January 2008.

## PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

### University programme

#### Workshops for *University Non-Academic Staff*

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| <b>30 January</b>  | Members of the university Non-academic Staff, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (33 participants)  |
| <b>22 February</b> | Members of the University Non-academic Staff, Senate Room, University of Peradeniya (52 participants)  |
| <b>20 March</b>    | Members of the University Non-academic Staff, Seminar Room, Faculty of Arts (41 participants)  |
| <b>29 March of</b> | Members of the University Non-academic Staff, Senate Room, University Peradeniya (51 participants)   |
| <b>04 April</b>    | Members of the University Non-academic Staff, Education Department Auditorium, J. E. Jayasuriya Memorial Building, Faculty of Arts (32 participants) |

#### Workshops for *University Undergraduates*

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| <b>17 March</b> | University Undergraduates, Seminar Room, Faculty of Arts (64 participants) |
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## School Programme

### Seminars and Workshops for School Children

21 March	School Children (Tamil Medium 64), Kandaketiya Tamil MV
30 March	School Children (Sinhala Medium - 44), Gamini M.V., Nuwara Eliya
30 March	School Children (Tamil Medium – 42), Holy Trinity College, Nuwara Eliya
24 April	School Children (Sinhala medium– 50), Gampola Balika Vidyalaya, Gampola
24 April	School Children (Tamil medium - 50), Gampola Balika Vidyalaya, Gampola
25 April	School Children (Sinhala medium – 50), Anuruddha Maha Vidyalaya Nawalapitiya
25 April	School Children (Tamil medium - 50), Kathireshan Central College Nawalapitiya

### Workshops & Seminars for School Teachers and Principals

21 March	School Teachers (Tamil Medium 42), Teachers' Training School, Kotagala
30 April	School Principals (Sinhala medium 60), Nuwara Eliya
18 June	School Principles of Gampola Zone, Wickramabahu MMV Hall, Gampola (156 participants)

## Workplace Programme

04 January	Women Development Officers (41)	Secretariat Auditorium, Kandy
26 January	Women Development Officers (32)	Seminar Room, Dept. of Economics, University of Peradeniya
12 February	Women Development Officers (44)	Secretariat Auditorium, Kandy
14 February	Army Officers (150)	Army Camp, Gannoruwa
15 February	Government Officers (21)	Divisional Secretariat, Matale
22 February	Women Development Officers (25)	Divisional Secretariat, Matale
27 February	Women Development Officers (17)	Divisional Secretariat, Kandy
27 April	Samurdhi Officers (Sinhala medium - 60)	Divisional Secretariat Office, Nuwara Eliya
27 April	Samurdhi Officers (Tamil medium - 75)	Old Kachcheri Building, Nuwara Eliya

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Centre for the Study of Human Rights



University of Peradeniya



# FULFILMENT OF CSHR MANDATE

TEACHING, PROMOTION AND  
DISSEMINATION OF KNOWLEDGE  
IN HUMAN RIGHTS

CSHR ACTIVITIES  
2007

## Public Awareness Programme

- 10-11 January** Human Rights Cartoon Exhibition, Human Rights Clinic & Seminar, D.S. Senanayake Memorial Library Hall, Kandy
- 22-23 January** Human Rights Cartoon Exhibition, Youth Centre, National Youth Service Council, Anuradhapura
- 14-15 February** Human Rights Cartoon Exhibition and Seminar, Public Library, Badulla
- 12 March** International Women's Day Programme – Exhibition and Market by Rural Women Producers, District Secretariat, Kandy
- 26 March** International Women's Day Programme - Exhibition and Market by Rural Women Producers, Kannangara Building premises, Faculty of Arts, University of Peradeniya

## CANADIAN AMBASSADORS VISIT TO PERADENIYA

Meeting  
Held at the  
Vice  
Chancellor's  
Office  
with the  
Members of  
the Governing  
Board



# Looking Back....

## EXCERPTS FROM THE DIRECTOR'S PROGRESS REPORTS...

### 2003-2004 - The first year

“...The Centre for the Study of Human Rights ... is now emerging as a focal point for providing HR teaching and awareness programmes...”

“...The GISP funding helped the Centre to acquire necessary office equipment, undertake several outreach activities and prepare itself for conducting university level human rights teaching programmes...Through these programmes and activities the CSHR-UP was able to set up initial building blocks such as receiving support from the university hierarchy and various Faculties; training academics from different disciplines as Resource Persons; strengthening existing HR programmes that are being taught; preparing modules and handouts for the Certificate and the Diploma programmes; reaching communities and institutions through different outreach activities and publicity programmes and establishing a network of partner organizations within the province in a very short spell of time.”

“...(In the first year) the CSHR-UP gave priority to institutional capacity building through the establishment of a sound Human Resource base, namely, a committed panel of Resource Persons and a strong network of Partner Organizations (POs). These two elements became the central

focus of the programme planning and implementation in the first year...Within considerably a short period the Centre emerged as an institution in which activities were effectively handled by a group of academics coming from different disciplines, comprising nearly 40 persons, committed to the cause of promoting human rights.”

“...The changes taking place in the existing environment are already visible. The signs are apparent that the presence of the Centre is strongly felt by the community within and outside the university. ...(T)he message of the Centre has reached the areas beyond the Central province, justifying the GISP's decision to assist the University of Peradeniya to establish a Human Rights Centre, envisaging a nationally recognized specialized institution promoting human rights.”



# Looking Back....

## EXCERPTS FROM THE DIRECTOR'S PROGRESS REPORTS...

### 2003-2004 - The first year

“...It is true that the establishment of a new Centre needs more time than what was provided in the original agreement. In the first year, any new institution has to face the challenge of integrating itself into the organizational and social environment under which it has to implement its future activities. If the task at hand is resisted by sections in the prevailing environment, the emerging institution needs to proceed with caution, building a support base, bringing more people to take up the tasks at hand, networking with friendly institutions around it. This is very relevant to the CHSR-UP, which has taken up the responsibility of

promoting human rights, gender equality and the rights of vulnerable sections of Sri Lankan society, and above all, the capacity building of civil society and Human Rights institutions functioning within the Central province.”

“...It is not appropriate to arrive at a precise conclusion of the future of the Centre at this stage. Certainly the CSHR-UP needs at least one or two years more to show its credentials, settling itself within the university as a university centre and serving the communities around seeking its services.”

### 2005-2006 - The third year

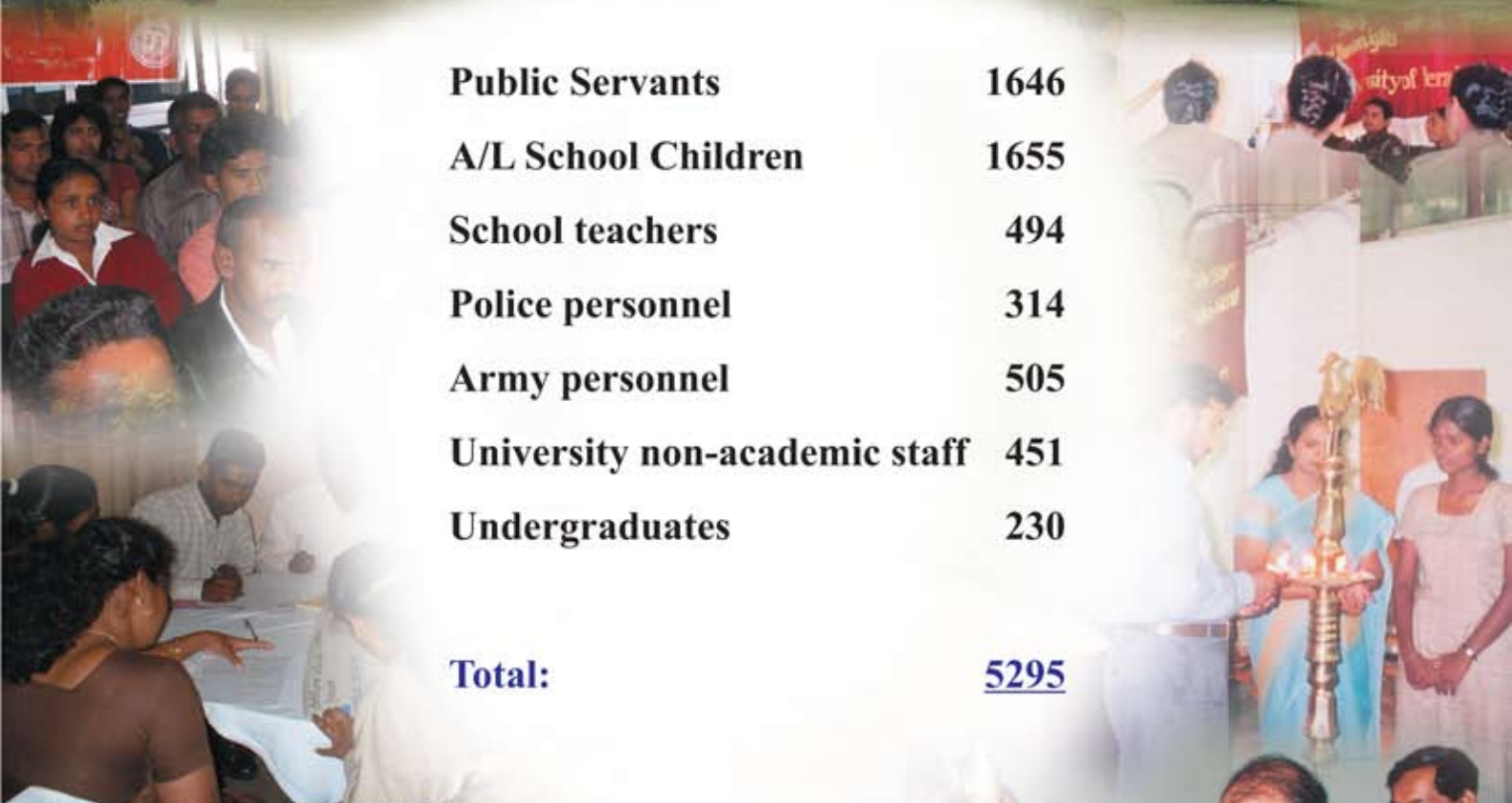
“...The CSHR-UP has proved that it has the capacity to reach the communities beyond the Central province. The large number of applications received for the certificate programme from the Northern and Eastern Provinces, the Plantation region and within and outside the Central province has proved that the Centre is benefiting from its affiliation to the oldest multi-ethnic higher educational institution in the country, the University of Peradeniya.”

“...The popularity of the teaching programmes, namely, “Diploma in Human Rights” and “Certificate in Human Rights” has proved that

the teaching programmes, including the syllabi designed for the purpose are of high standard. The implementation of these programmes has helped the Centre to establish itself as a teaching unit competent to deliver the programmes in both national languages.”

“As such it is not an exaggeration to say that the Centre for the Study of Human Rights is functioning within the University as a separate entity, justifying the Canadian International Development Agency's decision to assist the Centre for the Study of Human Rights to consolidate its programmes commenced in 2003.”

# Number of Participants in the Outreach Programmes 2004-2007



<b>Public Servants</b>	<b>1646</b>
<b>A/L School Children</b>	<b>1655</b>
<b>School teachers</b>	<b>494</b>
<b>Police personnel</b>	<b>314</b>
<b>Army personnel</b>	<b>505</b>
<b>University non-academic staff</b>	<b>451</b>
<b>Undergraduates</b>	<b>230</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b><u>5295</u></b>





# CIDA & CSHR-UP 2003-2007



The establishment of **CSHR-UP** and its institutional buildup which include the acquisition of equipment, development teaching syllabi, training of Resource Persons, building up of the documentation centre and conducting of outreach programmes from 2003 to 2007 were funded by the Canadian International Development Agency (**CIDA**).

## SUMMARY REPORT - GRANTS DISBURSEMENT

Year	Total Grants Received	Total Disbursement	Amount Returned	Donor Agency /Name of the grant project
2003-04	2,792,560.00	2,565,086.28	227,474.62	GISP/CIDA
2004-05	2,000,000.00	1,999,986.00	14.00	CIDA
2005-06	3,200,000.00	3,151,853.00	48,147.00	CIDA
2006-07	4,000,000.00	3,500,000.00	-	CIDA

CHSR-UP has paid an amount equal to 10% of the total disbursement, to the University for the Facilities used within the university campus and, since 2006 an additional 1% of the total disbursement for administrative charges and the faculty development fund.

## ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT

(Total value Rs .1, 448,933.00):

Desk Top Computers	04	Lap Top Computer	01
Multimedia Projector	01	Mini cassette Recorder	01
Photocopier	01	Digital Duplicating Machine	01
Overhead Projectors	02	Laser Printers	02
Conference Table	01	Conference table Chairs	14
Executive Chairs	06	Office Cupboards	03
Filing Cabinets	02	Library Cupboards	02
Computer Tables	02	Office Tables	02



# Financial Report

## INCOME & EXPENDITURE FEE LEVYING COURSES

### INCOME 2004-2007

#### From Diploma Course

2004/05	836,500.00
2005/06	1,271,500.00
2007	1,282,000.00
Sub Total	3,390,000.00

#### From Certificate Course

2004	140,000.00
2005	331,000.00
2006	580,000.00
2007	2,404,000.00
Sub Total	3,455,000.00
Grand Total	<u>6,845,000.00</u>

### EXPENDITURE 2004-2006

Total Expenditure for 2004-2006	1,395,586.00
Estimated Expenditure for 2007	2,480,600.00
<b>Total Expenditure for 2004-2007</b>	<b>3,876,186.00</b>
<b>Estimated Total Net Balance</b>	<b>2,968,814.00</b>

### FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

University 10%	2,489,500.00
Arts Faculty Development Fund .5%	34,225.00
University Administration .5%	34,225.00
Scholarships to University Students	800,000.00
Savings in the CSHR Reserve Fund	3,000,000.00

# Progress in Numbers

## NUMBER OF CANDIDATES ENROLLED

### Certificate in Human Rights

	Programmes	Candidates
2004	01	104
2005	01	164
2006	01	290
2007	04	1205

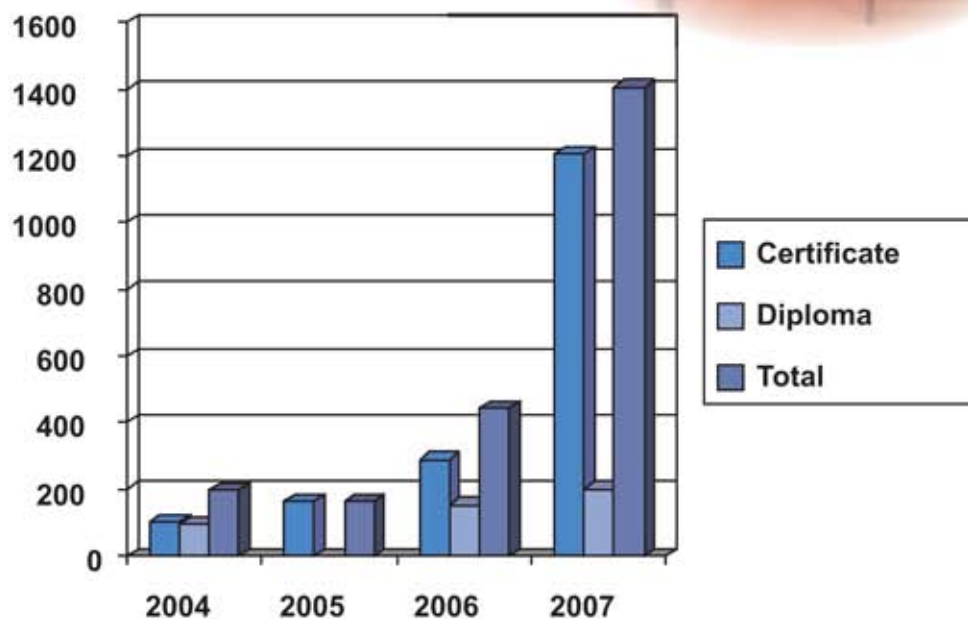
University Students 59%  
Non-university candidates 41%



### Diploma in Human Rights

2004/05	01	94
2006	01	154
2007	01	200

University Students 42%  
Non-university candidates 58%





# FUTURE PLANS

## Short-term:

*Module Based HR Diploma Course  
Online Certificate Course  
New courses by the departments  
Week-end Courses for Professionals*

*Programme Quality Assurance  
More Resource Persons Training  
Secure Permanent Class Rooms*

*Team and Individual Research  
Annual Research Session  
Publication Programme*

*New Outreach Programs  
Community Governance  
Political Governance  
Administrative Governance*

*Work Training for Students  
Strengthening Scholarship Scheme  
More Graduate Internships*

## Long-term:

*Broadening the mandate of the centre  
Division of work within the organization:  
Section for teaching programmes  
Section for institutional/international linkages  
Section for donor-based outreach programmes  
Section for research and publication*

# Our Thanks



**The teaching staff – for their commitment and innovative approach which produced quality work in our programmes**

**The CSHR Office Staff (The Administrative Officers & Graduate Interns from 2003 to 2007) for their hard work and commitment**

**The Assistant Registrars, Assistant Bursars and their office staff both in the Faculty of Arts and the Senate during 2003-2007 – for the work done for us and their supportive approach to our work**

**The Vice-Chancellors / Deputy Vice-Chancellors / Deans of the Faculty of Arts / Heads of Department of Political Science, the members of the Governing Boards from 2003 to 2007 – for their support in centre activities and personal encouragement**

**The funding Agency – CIDA, started with GISP in 2003 and then with the High Commission of Canada since 2004 to date – for its firmness and trust placed on us by their continuous financial support**